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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That title 18, United States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in section 1513—

1 (A) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
2 section (d); and

3 (B) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(c) If the retaliation occurred because of attendance
5 at or testimony in a criminal case, the maximum term of
6 imprisonment which may be imposed for the offense under
7 this section shall be the higher of that otherwise provided
8 by law or the maximum term that could have been im-
9 posed for any offense charged in such case.”;

10 (2) in section 1512, by adding at the end the
11 following:

12 “(i) If the offense under this section occurs in connec-
13 tion with a trial of a criminal case, the maximum term
14 of imprisonment which may be imposed for the offense
15 shall be the higher of that otherwise provided by law or
16 the maximum term that could have been imposed for any
17 offense charged in such case.”; and

18 (3) in section 1503(a), by adding at the end the
19 following: “If the offense under this section occurs
20 in connection with a trial of a criminal case, and the
21 act in violation of this section involves the threat of
22 physical force or physical force, the maximum term
23 of imprisonment which may be imposed for the of-
24 fense shall be the higher of that otherwise provided

- 1 by law or the maximum term that could have been
2 imposed for any offense charged in such case.”.

Passed the House of Representatives May 7, 1996.

Attest:

Clerk.